under different SAI Schemes, which is also expected to lead to availability of more probables for international events, and further improvement in the performance.

Recommendation from Investment Commission

412. SHRI SANJAY RAUT: Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any recommendations from the Investment Commission for organizing and hosting large sporting events in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government are considering to accept their suggestions and recommendations for all-round development of infrastructure facilities through sporting events in the country; and

(d) if so, the details of the steps taken or proposed to be taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Investment Commission, while making suggestions for enhancing growth, has recommended hosting of mega sporting events in India which will focus the country's attention on infrastructure development while also building national pride.

(c) and (d) No specific decision has been taken on this as a matter of policy. However, it has already been decided to hold the Commonwealth Games in Delhi in 2010, for which necessary sports and other infrastructure facilities are being developed. As a part of this the Commonwealth Youth Games will also be held in 2008 in Pune. India has also bid for hosting the Asian Games, 2014 in Delhi, on which a decision will be taken by the Olympic Council of Asia later in the year.